IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 5, 8, 10 and 15 without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter, amend Claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, 16 and 17, and add new Claims 19 and 20 as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, now read as follows:

1. (Currently amended) An information processing apparatus for implementing a print preview display of print data that is to be printed, comprising:

an acquisition unit for acquiring an amount of offset of a page in a print preview;

a preview image generating unit for generating a print preview image of the print data; [[and]]

a preview display control unit for causing the preview image display, which is generated by said preview image generating unit, to be offset and displayed for every sheet of paper in a case where the print data is to be printed on a plurality of sheets of paper, based upon the amount of offset acquired by said acquisition unit;

an offset-amount input unit for inputting the amount of offset of the print preview based upon a designation from a user;

a management unit capable of storing a plurality of offset amounts; and

a specifying unit for specifying whether to select an amount of offset that has been input by said offset-amount input unit or to select an amount of offset that has been stored by said management unit,

wherein said acquisition unit acquires the amount of offset that has been specified by said specifying unit.

2. (Currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising an offset-amount input unit for inputting amount of offset of the print preview based upon a designation from a user.[[;]] wherein said acquisition unit acquires the amount of offset that has been input from said offset-amount input unit.

3. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said offset-amount input unit is capable of specifying direction and is capable of inputting independent amounts of offset in vertical and horizontal directions.

4. (Currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said acquisition unit selects and acquires an amount of offset, which is larger than a size of a margin that has been set for the print preview image, from amounts of offset that have been stored by a management unit that is capable of storing a plurality of offset amounts.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently amended) An information processing [[The]] apparatus for implementing a print preview display of print data that is to be printed according to claim 1, further comprising:

an acquisition unit for acquiring an amount of offset of a page in a print preview;

a preview image generating unit for generating a print preview image of the print data;

a preview display control unit for causing the preview image display, which is generated by said preview image generating unit, to be offset and displayed for every sheet of paper in a case where the print data is to be printed on a plurality of sheets of paper, based upon an amount of offset acquired by said acquisition unit;

a print setting unit for setting a print layout; and

a management unit capable of storing a plurality of offset amounts;

wherein said preview display control unit selects an appropriate amount of offset from a plurality of offset amounts, which are stored by said management unit, based upon the print layout, and causes the print preview image to be offset and displayed page by page based upon the amount of offset selected.

7. (Currently amended) An information processing [[The]] apparatus for implementing a according to claim 6, wherein the print preview display of layout set by said print data that is to be printed, comprising:

an acquisition unit for acquiring an amount of offset of a page in a print preview;

a preview image generating unit for generating a print preview image of the print data;

a preview display control setting unit for causing the preview image display, which is generated by said preview image generating unit, to be offset and displayed for every sheet of paper in a case where the print data is to be printed on a pluraity of sheets of paper, based upon an amount of offset acquired by said acquisition unit includes a borderless print setting; and

a print setting unit for setting a borderless print setting.

wherein, if borderless printing has been set, said preview display control unit selects ~~from said management unit~~ an amount of offset that is less than that in a case where borderless printing is not set.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently amended) A print preview display method for presenting a print preview display of print data that is to be printed, comprising:

an acquisition step of acquiring an amount of offset of a page in a print preview;

a preview image generating step of generating a print preview image of the print data; and

a preview display control step ~~method~~ of causing the preview image display, which is generated at said preview image generating step, to be offset and displayed for every sheet of paper in a case where the print data is to be printed on a plurality of sheets of paper, based upon amount of offset acquired at said acquisition step;

an offset-amount input step of inputting the amount of offset of the print preview based upon a designation from a user;

a management step of storing a plurality of offset amounts; and

a specifying step of specifying whether to select an amount of offset that has been input in said offset-amount input step or to select an amount of offset that has been stored in said management step,

wherein said acquisition step acquires the amount of offset that has been specified in said specifying step.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Currently amended) A computer-readable storage medium storing a computer program ~~product that includes a medium on which has been encoded a program~~ for causing a computer to perform ~~implement~~ a print preview display method for presenting a print preview display of print data that is to be printed, said method comprising ~~program having~~:

       ~~code of~~ an acquisition step of acquiring amount of offset of a page in a print preview;

       ~~code of~~ a preview image generating step of generating a print preview image of the print data; [[and]]

       ~~code of~~ a preview display control method of causing the preview image display, which is generated at said preview image generating step, to be offset and displayed for every sheet of paper in a case where the print data is to be printed on a plurality of sheets of paper, based upon amount of offset acquired at said acquisition step;

       an offset-amount input step of inputting the amount of offset of the print preview based upon a designation from a user;

       a management step of storing a plurality of offset amounts; and

       a specifying step of specifying whether to select an amount of offset that has been input at said offset-amount input step or to select an amount of offset that has been stored in said management step.

       wherein said acquisition step acquires the amount of offset that has been specified in said specifying step.

12. (Currently amended) The computer program product according to claim 10, said program further having code of an offset-amount input step of inputting amount of offset of the print preview based upon a designation from a user,[[;]] wherein said acquisition step acquires the amount of offset that has been input at said offset-amount input step.

13. (Original) The computer program product according to claim 12, wherein said offset-amount input step is capable of specifying direction and is capable of inputting independent amounts of offset in vertical and horizontal directions.

14. (Currently amended) The computer program product according to claim 11, wherein said acquisition step selects and acquires an amount of offset, which is larger than a size of a margin that has been set for the print preview image, from amounts of offset that have been stored by a management unit that is capable of storing a plurality of offset amounts.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently amended) A computer-readable storage medium storing [[The]] computer program for causing a computer to perform a print preview display method for presenting product according to claim 11, said program further having code of a print setting step of setting a print layout; wherein said preview display of print data that is to be printed, said method comprising:

an acquisition control step of acquiring selects an appropriate amount of offset of a page in a print preview;

a preview display control step of causing the preview image display, which is generated at said preview image generating step, to be offset and displayed for every sheet of paper in a case where the print data is to be printed on a plurality of sheets of paper, based upon the amount of offset acquired at said acquisition step;

a print setting step of setting a print layout; and

a management step ~~from a plurality of offset amounts, which are stored by a management unit that is capable~~ of storing a plurality of offset amounts,

wherein said previeiw display control step selects an appropriate amount of offset from a plurality of offset amounts, which are stored by a management unit that is capable of storing a plurality of offset amounts, based upon the print layout, and causes the print preview image to be offset and displayed page by page based upon the amount of offset selected.

17. (Currently amended) A computer-readable storage medium storing a [[The]] computer program for causing a computer to perform a print preview display method for presenting a print preview display of print data that is to be printed, said method comprising:

an acquisition step of acquiring an amount of offset of a page in a print preview;

a preview image generating step of generating a print preview image of the print data;

a preview display control step of causing the preview image display, which is generated at said preview image generating step, to be offset and displayed for every sheet of paper in a case where the print data is to be printed on a plurality of sheets of paper, based upon the amount of offset acquired in said acquisition step; and

a ~~product according to claim 16, wherein the print layout set at said~~ print setting step of setting ~~includes~~ a borderless print setting.~~, and~~

wherein, if borderless printing has been set, said preview display control step selects from said management step an amount of offset that is less than that in a case where borderless printing is not set.

18. (Canceled)

19. (New) A print preview display method for presenting a print preview display of print data that is to be printed, comprising:

an acquisition step of acquiring amount of offset of a page in a print preview;

a preview image generating step of generating a print preview image of the print data;

a preview display control step of causing the preview image display, which is generated at said preview image generating step, to be offset and displayed for every sheet of paper in a case where the print data is to be printed on a plurality of sheets of paper, based upon amount of offset acquired at said acquisition step;

a print setting step of setting a print layout; and

a management step of storing a plurality of offset amounts,

wherein said preview display control step selects an appropriate amount of offset from a plurality of offset amounts, which are stored by a management unit that is capable of storing a plurality of offset amounts, based upon the print layout, and causes the print preview image to be offset and displayed page by page based upon the amount of offset selected.

20. (New) A print preview display method for presenting a print preview display of print data that is to be printed, comprising:

an acquisition step of acquiring amount of offset of a page in a print preview;

a preview image generating step of generating a print preview image of the print data;

a preview display control step of causing the preview image display, which is generated at said preview image generating step, to be offset and displayed for every sheet of paper in a case where the print data is to be printed on a plurality of sheets of paper, based upon amount of offset acquired at said acquisition step; and

a print setting step of setting a borderless print setting,

wherein if borderless printing has been set, said preview display control step selects from said management step an amount of offset that is less than that in a case where borderless printing is not set.